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Sir:

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Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed June 19, 2003, the time for responding thereto being extended for two months in accordance with a Petition for Extension submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION AND ABSTRACT:

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Please replace the original specification and abstract with the enclosed substitute specification and abstract.